RESOLUTION NO. 49-08

BY: THOMAS REGAS

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO FULLY FUND SAFETEA-LU (FEDERAL AID FOR TRANSPORTATION) TO AUTHORIZED LEVELS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) has an approved Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that has scheduled vital transportation improvements for 2008 through 2011; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Government may reduce the federal aid for transportation programs beginning in 2009 if the United States Congress does not take action; and,

WHEREAS, this proposed reduction would reduce funds for NOACA-funded projects by more than \$51 million during 2009 and 2010; and,

WHEREAS, this proposed reduction will have a severe negative impact on the transportation infrastructure of Northeast Ohio, its local governments and the region's economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

- Section 1. That this Council hereby requests the United States Congress to fully fund SAFETEA-LU (federal aid for transportation) to authorized levels.
- Section 2. That the Clerk of Council be, and he hereby is, directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to all members of the United States Congress.
- Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to demonstrate the need to solve this problem promptly and avert the severe reduction of federal funds, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:	
	PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
CLERK OF COUNCIL	
FILED WITH THE MAYOR:	
	MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO